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Dragon Con 2016

# The Daily Dragon

## An Interview with Naoko Mori by Maggie Caracappa

**Naoko Mori**, best known to Dragon Con audiences as Toshiko Sato in *Torchwood*, is making her first appearance at the con. She took a few minutes to answer some questions.

**Daily Dragon (DD):** You had a guest spot on *Doctor Who* before *Torchwood*. How soon after appearing on *Doctor Who* did you know about *Torchwood*?

**Naoko Mori (NM):** I think it was about 6 or 8 months after I filmed *Doctor Who*. Out of the blue, I got a call from Russell [Davies] and the team via my agent. I was told that Dr. Sato (who I played in *Doctor Who*) might be connected to Toshiko Sato at the beginning—but

it was never confirmed until the we received the script of the last ep of season 2.

**DD:** What is something that you have taken away from your experience being on *Torchwood* and connected with *Doctor Who*?

**NM:** Firstly, it introduced me to a whole new genre that I hadn't really watched/worked on before. Being introduced to and working on these shows, it's really opened up my eyes, and my imagination—both as an actor and a viewer. What I also loved about *Torchwood*



especially is that it was so many things. Drama, comedy, sci-fi, action, fantasy—all in one show.

**DD:** *Toshiko* and *Gwen* are both incredible characters who are fully formed and well-written. How important is it to you to have that kind of representation for female characters? Does it influence how you choose roles?

**NM:** Yes, absolutely. For me, it's all about the writing and the characters. They don't always have to be leaders and experts, but they've got to have some character and be interesting.

Read the complete interview on the Daily Dragon website.

### New Parade Viewing Options

The Dragon Con Parade will be available to everyone in the Atlanta area this year thanks to its first television broadcast. The CW channel 69 will televise the parade live at 10AM Saturday. The parade will also be broadcast live on Dragon Con TV and via streaming membership.

For those who want to see the parade in person, the route begins at Peachtree Street Northeast and Linden Avenue, near Emory University

Hospital Midtown. The parade will continue south along Peachtree Street, pass by the front of the Hyatt, and turn left onto International Boulevard before turning left again onto Peachtree Center Avenue and finishing up behind the Marriott Marquis.

This year's parade lineup is full. Parade participants can check in near Registration in the Sheraton Georgia Ballroom, Thu 10AM-10PM and Fri 9:30AM-8PM.

### 30th Anniversary Masked Ball

It's Dragon Con's 30th year and what better way to celebrate than a Masked Ball! Come dressed to the nines on Friday at 8PM, Centennial II-III (Hyatt). Masks will be available for purchase at our Charity Events table just outside the room, with all proceeds going to this year's charity, the Atlanta Center for Self Sufficiency. Costuming Track is making special ones to contribute.

#### Dragon Con's Pin-Ups by the Pool Party

Taloolah Love and her bevy of bathing beauties bring you a poolside treat. Don your best poolside pinup attire and join the competition! R Fri 8:30PM, Pool and Courtyard (Sheraton).



#### An Evening At Bree

The Tolkien Track's annual celebration, with dancing and frivolity and featuring the music of Emerald Rose for the last time. Fri 8:30PM, Grand Salon West (Hilton).



#### Geek Trivia for Charity

Join the Video Gaming Track for bragging rights and a chance at immortality on the famous Bling Gnome Trophy. Donation of \$10 per player requested. Fri 8:30PM, Savannah Ballroom (Westin).



#### Klingon Karaoke

You haven't lived until you've seen Chancellor Gowron rock out to "Dancing Queen." Fri 8:30PM, 204 FGH (AM2).

#### Annual Zombie Walk

The undead horde once again takes to the streets of Atlanta in search of tasty, tasty brains. Participants must be in a zombie or zombie hunter costume. Fri 8:30PM, Overlook (Westin).



#### Cthulhu for America Rally

Why vote for the lesser evil? Presidential Candidate Cthulhu will be making an appearance. Robes, signs and Cthulhu paraphernalia encouraged. Fri 9PM, Photo Stairs (Hilton).



#### Suits, Sinatra, and Star Wars

Wear your finest to mix and mingle at this retro-themed cocktail party. Listen to the classics and a little big band, and maybe even swing dance a little. Fri 10PM, A601-602 (Marriott).



#### Creature Karaoke

Left your wand at home? Join the

Fantasy Literature track to ensorcell the masses with the magic of a microphone. Bonus points for coming in costume! Fri 10PM, Regency V (Hyatt).



#### Zombie Prom: 30th Reunion

Hundreds of the decomposing horde gather to shamle and shimmy the night away. Grab a quick prom photo, or even be crowned Prom King or Queen! Fri 10PM, Grand Ballroom East-West (Hilton).



#### Labyrinth Sing and Quote Along: 30th Anniversary

Join in the fun with subtitles on-screen and a bag full of props, including bubbles for the ball, balloons for the Fireys, and whoopee cushions for the Bog of Eternal Stench! Fri 10PM, Imperial Ballroom (Marriott).



Check out the Parties/Events page on the Daily Dragon website for more parties and meetups!

# Schedule Changes

Hy = Hyatt S = Sheraton  
M = Marriott W = Westin  
Hil = Hilton  
AM1/2 = AmericasMart Bldg 1/2

The following previously confirmed presenters will not be able to attend Dragon Con 2016: **Lynn Abbey, Courtney Alameda, Gabo Bautista, Jessica Cail, Karen K. Christoffersen, Keith R.A. DeCandido, Wendy S. Delmater, Karen Gillan, Burn Gorman, Willa Holland, Sarah Hunter, Don Maitz, Alex Matsuo, Eve Myles, Dean O'Gorman, Billie Piper, Sarah Soderlund, Yale Stewart, Jonathan Strickland, Karl Urban, James Urbaniak, Janny Wurts.**

## ADDITIONS

**Ian Harris** will be on "Skeptrack Kick Off 2016" Fri 10AM, 204-207 (Hil).

**E.J. Stevens** will be on "Murder, Mystery, and Monsters" Fri 11:30AM, Peachtree 1-2 (W).

**"An Hour with Janina Gavankar"** Fri 11:30AM, Peachtree Ballroom (W).

**Janina Gavankar** will be on "Sleepy Hollow" Sat 4PM, Peachtree Ballroom (W); Sun 10AM, Peachtree Ballroom (W).

**Scott Vigue** will be on "The Science of The Fly and Aliens" Fri 11:30AM, M103-105 (M); "Multiverse Media: Sliding Back to the Future and other Excellent Adventures" Fri 5:30PM, 204J (AM2).

**"Warmachine Mark III"** Fri 1PM, Augusta 1-2 (W).

**Brian Bradley** will be on "Comedy Writing" Fri 2:30PM, Centennial I (Hy).

**Aaron Fever** will be on "Snydecad-a-Con with Ken Plume & Dana Snyder" Fri 4PM, A601-A602 (M).

**JackMonkey FX** will be on "Complimentary Zombie Makeovers" Fri 4PM, Overlook (W).

**James R. Tuck** will be on "Protect and Defend: Non-humans Saving Humans" Fri 4PM, Peachtree Ballroom (W).

**Kirk Thatcher** will be on "Farscape: The Wonders We Saw" Fri 4PM, Imperial Ballroom (M); "Gonzo Quiz Show" Fri 10PM, Regency VI-VII (Hy).

**Drew Powell** will be on "Gotham—In the Shadow of the City" Fri 5:30PM, Atrium Ballroom (M).

**Sharon Morgan** will be on "AHC 101: Fundamentals of Alt History Costuming" Fri 7PM, 204I (AM2).

**"SparkFun Workshop"** Fri 8:30PM, Atlanta (S); Sat 1PM, Atlanta (S); Sat 7PM, Augusta (S).

**Brian Bradley** will be on "Comedy in Podcasts" Sat 11:30AM, Crystal Ballroom (Hil); "Booze And Phaser Podcast Live!" Sat 1PM, 202 (Hil).

**"Reading: Chris Kennedy"** Sat 1PM, Marietta (Hy).

**Sharon Ahern** will be on "The Craft of Dystopia" Sat 2:30PM, Chastain F-H (W).

**Anthony Taylor** will be on "Zombies: Rot On" Sat 7PM, Chastain I (W).

**Amber Nash, Roger Cross, Gigi Edgley, Audrey Kearns, Anthony Lemke, Melissa O'Neil, and Eddie McClintock** will be on "5 Truths and a Lie—Live!" Sat 7PM, Grand Salon East (Hil).

**Bill Corbett** will be on "Gonzoroo: The Deep Hurting Summertime Special" Sat 8PM, Atrium Ballroom (M).

**"Steampunk Boba Fett: Mask of Vengeance Official Screening"** With Paige Gardner. Sat 10PM, 204I (AM2).

**Nerf Herder** Sun 1:30 AM, Atrium Ballroom (M).

**Autograph Session with Chris Kennedy.** Sun 10AM, International Hall South (M).

**Dan Jolley and Madeleine Roux** will be on "100 Years of Zombie Evolution in Pop Culture" Sun 10AM, Chastain F-H (W).

**Audrey Kearns and Cara Santa Maria** will be on "Awesome Women of Podcasting" Sun 11:30AM, 202 (Hil).

**"An Hour with Nolan North"** Sun 11:30AM, Augusta B-D (W).

**"Reading: Clay and Susan Griffith"** Sun 11:30AM, Vinings (Hy).

**"A Decade of Escape Artists"** Pseudopod co-editor Alex Hofelich and Pseudopod associate editor Dagny Paul and more talk about a decade of escape artists. Sun 1PM, 202 (Hil).

**"State of Mobile Jailbreaking"** Sun 2:30PM, 208-209 (Hil).

**Kacey Ezell and Michael Z. Williamson** will be on "First Contact Improv!" Sun 2:30PM, Regency VI-VII (Hy).

**Molly Lewis** will be on "Obsessed with Joseph Scrimshaw: Live!" Sun 2:30PM, Grand Salon West (Hil).

**Autograph Session with John D. Ringo.** Sun 2:30PM, International Hall South (M).

**"Master Your Muse! Afternoon Tolkien Discussion"** Sun 4PM, L401-L403 (M).

**"Embracing Social Changes & Keeping your Podcast up on Trends"** Sun 4PM, 202 (Hil).

**Pamela Gay, Richard Garriott, and Tracy Hickman** will be on "2016 Parsec Awards" Sun 5:30PM, Regency V (Hy).

**Dana Snyder** will be on "Dad's Garage Live!" Sun 7PM, 202 (Hil).

**Delilah S. Dawson** will be on "Darkness & Light: Humor in UF" Sun 10PM, Chastain D-E (W).

**Frank Ippolito** will be on "Body Art Challenge" Sun 10PM, International South (Hy).

## CANCELLATIONS

**Caity Lotz** will not be on "Legends of Tomorrow: Forward into the Past" Fri 11:30AM, Atrium Ballroom (M).

**Tom Mison** will not be on "Sleepy Hollow" Fri 11:30AM, Centennial II-III (Hy).

**"Cool Mini or Not"** Fri 11:30AM, Augusta 1-2 (W).

**Arthur Darvill** will not be on "Legends of Tomorrow—Forward into the Past" Fri 11:30AM, Atrium (M).

**"Bust Five Lies That Stop Your Creativity"** Fri 1PM, Embassy CD (Hy).

**Timothy Furnish** will not be on "Military Fantasy" Fri 1PM, Embassy EF (Hy).

**Jonathan Strickland** will not be on "Podcasting & Media Track Kick-Off!" Fri 1PM, 202 (Hil); "Podcasting Past, Present & Future" Fri 2:30PM, 202 (Hil).

**"Wait Until My Father Hears about This!"** Fri 1PM, Atrium (M).

**Carlos Valdes and Teddy Sears** will not be on "Flash/Arrow—Heroes R Us" Fri 2:30PM, Centennial II-III (Hy).

**Dave Chapman** will not be on "Farscape: The Wonders We Saw" Fri 4PM, Imperial (M).

**Jim Butcher** will not be on "Protect & Defend: Non-Humans Saving Humans" Fri 4PM, Peachtree Ballroom (W); "First Contact Improv!" Sun 2:30PM, Regency VI-VII (Hy).

**Dean O'Gorman** will not be on "Cinema Guests of Middle-earth" Fri 5:30PM, Imperial Ballroom (M); "Middle-earth Cinema guests" Sat 11:30 AM, Imperial Ballroom (M); "Middle-earth Movie Guests" Mon 11:30 AM, Grand Ballroom East-West (Hil).

**Sarah Hunter** will not be on "The Great Hair, Beard, and Moustache Competition" Fri 5:30PM, 204I (AM2); "Chasing the Dragon: Addiction in the Victorian Era" Fri 10PM, 204J (AM2); "AHC 201: Corsets & Undergarments" Sat 11:30AM, 204I (AM2); "Late-Night Costuming: Kinkwear-Inspired Costumes" Sat 11:30PM/Sun 10PM, 302-305 (Hil).

**Naoko Mori** will not be on "An Hour with Torchwood" Fri 7PM, Grand Ballroom A-F (S).

**"Splendid Teapot Racing"** Sat 11:30AM, 204FGH (Am2).

**"Karen Gillian"** Sat 1PM, Atrium Ballroom (M).

**Eve Myles** will not be on "Inside the Actor's Gaffe: Torchwood" Sat 4PM, Grand Ballroom A-F (S); "Q&A with Torchwood Guests" Sun 11:30AM, Grand Ballroom A-F (S).

**"Law and Order: Victorian SVU"** Sat 10PM, 204I (AM2).

**Daniel Griffith** will not be on "Sleepy Hollow" Sun 10AM, Peachtree Ballroom (W).

**"Story Time!"** Sun 1PM, 202 (Hil).

**"Personality Types and Video Game Objectification"** Sun 2:30PM, Augusta B-D (W).

**"Panama Papers"** Sun 2:30PM, 208-209 (Hil).

**Karen Gillan** will not be on "Doctor Who: Pond Family Reunion" Sun 2:30PM, Atrium Ballroom (M).

**"Horror and Blood"** Sun 4PM, 202 (Hil).

**"Drone Regulation: Weaponized Drones"** Sun 8:30PM, Atlanta 4-5 (S).

**Phantom Troublemaker** will not be on "Legacy of the Blind Dead" Sun 10PM, Peachtree 1-2 (W).

**Madeleine Roux** will not be on "YA Pageturners" Mon 1PM, A707 (M).

**Escape the Clouds.** Mon 1PM Concourse (Hy).

## UPDATES

**"Flash/Arrow—Heroes R Us"** Fri 2:30 PM, Centennial II-III (Hy).

**"Fast Times with Judge Reinhold"** Fri 4PM, Centennial I (Hy).

**"Con Man The Game"** Fri 4PM, Atrium Ballroom (M).

**"Cleopatra 2525 and Jack of All Trades: Action Hour Salute"** Fri 7PM, M103-M105 (M).

**"35 Years of Raiding the Lost Ark"** Fri 8:30PM, M103-M105 (M).

**"Con Man The Game Special Event"** Fri 8:30PM, Peachtree Ballroom (W).

**Autograph Session with Brian Henson and Karen Prell.** Fri 8:30PM, A703 (M).

**"The Quantified Vagina"** Fri 10PM, Grand Salon East (Hil).

**"Aliens and the Heavens"** Sat 11:30AM, Valdosta (S).

**"Flash/Arrow"** Sat 1PM, Centennial II-III (Hy).

**"Booze And Phaser Podcast Live!"** Sat

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### Watergun War

A massive informal water gun battle in full costume. Water jugs will be provided, but participants should bring their own sidearm and make sure they have a costume they don't mind getting wet! Fri 2PM, Patio (Hilton).



### Dragon Con Night at the Georgia Aquarium

Featuring DJ Marc J Cubbs and Dragon Con's cosplay competition "The Chosen." Costumes welcome! Sat 7PM, Georgia Aquarium. Shuttle bus Sat 6PM-12AM; pick-up at the Marriott Marquis back driveway (facing the Hilton).



### Shout-Outs

**Happy Dragon Con** to top-notch roommates Jacob, Russell, and Kelcey! —Alex Thompson

**Happy 17th Birthday Elijah!** It has been an honor to watch you become the amazing man you will be. I love you and am very proud of you. May the Force Be With You!!

—Love, Granny Anomar

**Congrats to Jennie Law and Jason Clay** for forming a complete Periodic Table of Elements this year. We Matter! —Andrea Kline



*Check the Daily Dragon website for more!*

1PM, 202 (Hil).

**"Fringe: From Cows to Tulips with LSD on the Side"** Sat 4PM, Valdosta (S).

**"Sci Fighters: '80s Action Heroes vs. '80s Wrestlers"** Sat 5:30PM, M103-M105 (M).

**"Killjoys—The RAC and Level 6"** Sat 5:30PM, M301-M303 (M).

**Autograph Session with Kirk Thatcher.** Sat 5:30PM, A703 (M).

**"The 20 magical, most important minutes of Middle-earth cinema"** Sat 7PM, L401-L403 (M).

**Autograph Session with Pat Brymer and Thom Fountain.** Sun 10AM, A703 (M).

**"The Greatest Players to Ever Play the Game"** Sun 11:30AM, Augusta 1-2 (W).

**"Flash/Arrow—Life in a Metaworld"** Sun 4PM, Centennial II-III (Hy).

**"Wonder Woman: The 75th Anniversary"** Sun 5:30PM, M103-M105 (M).

**"Painting Miniatures 101"** Sun 5:30PM, Augusta 1-2 (W).

**Scintilla & Cruxshadows** Mon 12AM (Sun midnight), Centennial II-III (Hy).

**The Brobdignagian Bards** Mon 11:30AM, Concourse (Hy).

*See the complete list of schedule changes on the Daily Dragon website or on the Dragon Con mobile app.*